

ABSTRACT

A method of maintaining a hierarchy of application objects commences with the automatic detection of the exit of a process of a child application object in an unexpected manner. Responsive to the detected exit, 5 a grandchild application object, launched by the child application object, is automatically terminated. An attempt is then made to restart the child application object. The outcome of the restart of the child application object is reported to a parent application object that launched the child application object.